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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- ☒ Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing
- ☒ Computer readable form of Sequence Listing. Applicants state that the paper copy form of the Sequence Listing section of the present application, and the computer readable form submitted herewith, are the same.
- ☒ Other: Response to Notice to Comply and Certificate Regarding Sequence Listing, Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY AND
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Examiner's communication mailed April 3, 2001. In response to the Notice to Comply and in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.821 - § 1.825, Applicants enclose herewith a substitute computer readable form of the Sequence Listing. In addition, a paper copy of the substitute Sequence Listing is also provided. Please insert the substitute paper copy into the file. Applicants hereby state that the computer readable form and the substitute paper copy of the Sequence Listing enclosed do not include new matter.

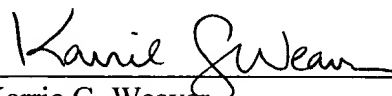
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Pursuant to the Examiner's request, also enclosed is a copy of the Notice to Comply with the sequence listing rules.

Respectfully submitted,

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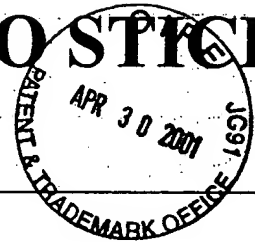


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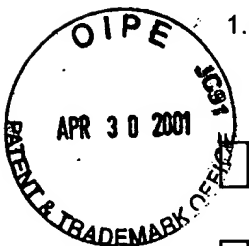
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CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID SEQUENCE
DISCLOSURES**

The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825 for the following reason(s):



- ☐ 1. This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to these regulations, published at 1114 OG 29, May 15, 1990 and at 55 FR 18230, May 1, 1990. Please see box 7, below.
- ☐ 2. This application does not contain, as a separate part of the disclosure on paper copy, a "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(c).
- ☐ 3. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☒ 4. A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has been submitted. However, the content of the computer readable form does not comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.822 and/or 1.823, as indicated on the attached copy of the marked -up "Raw Sequence Listing."
- ☐ 5. The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A Substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.825(d).
- ☐ 6. The paper copy of the "Sequence Listing" is not the same as the computer readable form of the "Sequence Listing" as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e).
- ☐ 7. Other: The application discloses sequences that are not accompanied by SEQ ID NO's and that apparently are not included among the sequences on the original CRF and sequence listing; in particular, the consensus sequences disclosed in Fig. 7A-K.

Applicant Must Provide:

- ☒ An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing".
- ☒ An initial or substitute paper copy of the "Sequence Listing", as well as an amendment directing its entry into the specification.
- ☒ A statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e) or 1.821(f) or 1.821(g) or 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).

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